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The Democratic Membership of the Senate Confer on the Tariff.

SUGAR THE KEY TO THE SITUATION

Mr. Brice Makes Another Spirited Speech to His Associates.

REPUBLICANS CONTENTED

Into one immense finance committee the entire democratic membership of the Senate committee in charge of the tariff bill. The district of New York; Anson S. Taylor of Wilson measure is now being considered by the caucus schedule by schedule, item by item, under the same program which governs the work of the finance committee. Quite all of the session this morning was confined to the sugar schedule. There was no definite agreement upon anything. Had an effort been made sugar would have been disposed of, for, according to what appears to be the unanimous opinion of those present, the preponderance of expression was in favor of a uniform duty of three-quarters of a cent per pound upon all grades of sugar.

A Vigorous Combination.

There was a very vigorous combination, comprising probably one-third of those present, decidedly opposed to any duty whatever upon sugar. A small number, probably a half dozen, favored a duty discriminating upon refined sugar, intended to protect the refiners; but there appears little if any doubt that a vote levying a duty would have been overwhelming in opposition to anything for the refiners.

It is not likely that the tariff bill will be completed by the caucus this week. It is possible that agreements may be reached upon the principal items in dispute, but it is not the intention to attempt to make public the contents of the measure before next week. Sugar is the key to the situation.

As goes the decision upon sugar will go that upon coal, iron ore, lead and possibly wool, although the demand for a duty upon wool, although the demand for a duty upon wool is not as great as that upon either of the other articles named Senator Brice Asks Some Questions.

The caucus was the scene of another spirited speech by Senator Brice made in reply to speeches by members of the finance committee, in which one of them, presumably Senator Vest, had said that what concessions had been made had been made at the point of the bayonet.

Mr. Brice said that apparently they had undertaken to catch two Senators from Louisiana, with a sugar bait, and had made arrangements for other Mr. Brice said that apparently they had undertaken to catch two Senators from Louisiana, with a sugar bait, and had made arrangements for other votes by making concessions on a few other articles. If these additions were to be made to an otherwise ideal bill, made to fit the interests of the region west of the Mississippi, to catch these votes, Mr. Brice wanted to know what was to be done to hold the support of the Senators from the latitude represented by the assignment of Commodore Wm. A. Kirkland, late in command of the League Island navy yard. He will sail from San Francisco for Honolulu on the 17th proximo.

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So spoke Col. Truesdell is a good friend of the negro and we all hall his appointment." So spoke Col. Perry Carson. the Senators from the latitude represented by himself and the Senators from New York and New Jersey, and he added that if the many interests of those great states could not be given consideration he saw no course open to those Senators but to arm themselves with bayonets and pursue the course of their more successful colleagues.

Only Definite Action. The only definite action of the forenoon session consisted in a decision to place machinery for cotton manufacturing upon the free list. This concession was granted at the request of the Mississippi Senators, who urged it because of the fact that they represented the cotton manufacturing industry, which was rapidly growing in importance in the south. The proposition caused considerable debate and more or less reference to favoritism because of sectional lines, but it

The Finance Committee.

The Senate finance committee met this morning pursuant to yesterday's agreement, but transacted no business on account of the necessity of the Jemocratic members attending that caucus and because now that the caucus has taken the bill in hand it will not be in shape to be presented to the committee until the caucus can pass Only Senators Voorhees and Jones of the

democratic members of the committee were present, and they left and went into the caucus after remaining a few minutes, Mr. Voorhees explaining that some things had occurred to occasion delay. He did not announce any meeting of the committee for tomorrow, from which fact it is inferred that he does not expect the caucus to reach speedy agreement. Republicans Take It Philosophically.

The republican members of the committee, all of whom except Senator Jones of Nevada were present, remained in the finance committee room for some time after the democrats had left, discussing the situation and comparing notes upon the features of the bill. The republican members of the committee, as well as other republican Senators, are inclined to regard the situation philosophically. They do not expect the democratic caucus to reach an early agreement because of the conflicting interests represented by the Seventers with ests represented by the Senators constituting the caucus, and are not displeased at the delay. They are well satisfied to have it occur if it causes dissension in the ranks of their corrections. of their opponents.

THE GEORGETOWN COLLECTORSHIP.

Mr. Edgar P. Watkins Recommended by the Maryland Delegation.

The entire Maryland congressional delegation waited on Secretary Carlisle yesterday and asked that Mr. Edgar P. Watkins be appointed collector of customs at Georgetown. He is the present deputy collector and has been in the office for many years, having risen from one of the lowe grades. Secretary Carlisle informed the delegation that the office of collector is not vacant, inasmuch as Mr. Johnson, the incumbent, has not yet complied with the request for his resignation. He said, moreover, that the matter would not be settled until after the President's return to the city. From another source it is learned that Secretary Carlisle has determined that the appointment be given to a resident District.

It should be stated, however, that not-withstanding the interest taken by Maryland Congressmen in his advancement Mr. Watkins claims to be a resident of Georgetown.

By direction of the President, Second Lieut, Edward R.Chrisman, second infantry, s detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the University of Idaho, Mos-

The leave of absence granted First Lieut. remas H. Wilson, second infantry, is exte. 'ed ten days.

First Lieut, Ashton B. Heyl, assistant surgeon, will be relieved from duty at Fort Niobi era, Nebraska, on the arrival there of First Lieut, Thomas S. Bratton, assistant and will report at Columbus barracks, Ohio, for duty.

Leave of absence for one year is granted

First 1 leut. James L. Druien, seventeenth Maj. Almon L. Varney, ordnance department, will proceed to the works of the Mor-gan Eng neering Company, Alliance, Ohio, on official business pertaining to the inspec-

tion of the ten-inch Gordon disappearing ported there that the insurgents have cap-First Lieut, Sidney E. Stuart, ordnance

Col George Truesdell to Be District Commissioner.

Other Important Nominations by the President Sent to the Senate.

The President today sent the following Plans to Induce Two Other Volunnominations to the Senate: Treasury-Winslow Warren of Massachusetts, to be collector of customs for the district of Boston and Charlestown, Mass.; A. Augustus Healey of New York, to be collector of internal revenue for the first dis-

trict of New York. Justice-Fletcher C. Peck of New York, marshal of the United States for the northern district of New York; Henry I. Hayden behind closed doors this morning resolved of New York, to be marshal of the United itself. The democratic caucus, which be- States for the eastern district of New York; gan yesterday morning, is no longer a James L. Bennett of New York, to be atcaucus proper; it is a substitute for the turney of the United States for the eastern

the District of Columbia, to be justice of the peace in the District of Columbia. State—Charles Jonas of Wisconsin, to be consul general of the United States at St.
Petersburg: Albert Fowler of Maryland, to
be consul of the United States at Stratford,
Ontario; George Truesdell of the District
of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the
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More Expressions of Approval.

More Expressions of Approval. Continued expressions of approval con-

tinue to come in concerning the selection of Col. Truesdell as Commissioner. Mr. Frank P. Madigan, the representative of the National Capital Brewing Company, said: "I have known Col. Truesdell for many years, and while representing the Bradstreet Commercial Agency had con-siderable dealings with him. He is a man of high character, honest and correct in all his dealings. As a business man he always was and is today foremost in the ranks.

Our citizens will have no cause to complain of his selection."

Andrew Gleeson said he was thoroughly satisfied with the nomination. Col. Trues-dell was a practical business man, and that's what the business men of Washington wanted. Lawyers were necessary and Commissioner Ross filled his position ad-mirably. So with the combination he had

of the new board.

Mr. J. B. Wimer said the appointment of Col. Truesdell was very gratifying. He did not believe there was a man in the District of Columbia who would render better service to the people than Col. Trues-

Boston's New Collector.

Mr. Winslow Warren, who was today nominated as collector of customs at Boston, is a well-known resident of that city, prominently identified with the civil service and tariff reform organizations. He comes from an old Massachusetts family, Warren, who fell at Bunker Hill, being one of the ancestors. He had the sup-port of Attorney General Olney, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Hamlin, and

Representative O'Neil of Boston. Why Col. Truesdell Was Selected. In order to avoid a repetition of yesterday's experience when the nominations reached the Senate too late to be received. Assistant Secretary Pruden had them at the Capitol today ready for delivery promptly on the stroke of 12.

Private Secretary Thurber, when questioned about the matter today, said that the President, in selecting Col. Truesdell as a Commissioner for the District, was actuated solely by a sincere desire to serve the best interests of the District. consensus of opinion that reached the President," said Mr. Thurber, "indicated clearly that Col. Truesdell would make an excellent Commissioner, and that his ap-pointment would be most acceptable to the people. From the representations made to him on the subject he regarded Mr. Truesdell as the most available man for the office. He is a good business man, and will undoubtedly prove an efficient Commission-

NOT BEER, BUT BEARD.

Representative Pence Explains His

Representative Pence, populist, of Colo rado, who was the central figure in the stirring personal debate which closed the proceedings of the House yesterday, has written a letter to Representative Hainer (Neb.) correcting an erroneous report of the words addressed to Mr. Hainer. The latter has a full black beard, and in referring to him Mr. Pence said that the gentleman from Nebraska is "fuller of beard than he is of ideas." This was translated into the expression "fuller of beer" by the United Press, and published in a few papers. To correct the error Mr. Pence wrote the following:
To Hon. E. J. Hainer:
Dear Sir: I have just read with amaze-

ment the headlines and article in this morn-Post respecting the closing scenes in the House yesterday. I sincerely hope that the Congressional Record will be free from such error as to my language. When I alluded to your full beard I did myself no credit and you no harm, but now to find that the reporters understood and reported me as saying "full of beer" causes me deep chagrin and pain. If the members of the House understood me to use such language it is no wonder they refused to permit me to proceed. The wonder is, if they so understood me, that I was not forthwith cen-sured by the Speaker of the House. Such language would have been not only un-

sincerely regret the misunderstanding and false report in the papers of my words, and hasten to so express myself to you, and say that I shall, of course, try and matter right in the press by public state-ment when the House meets today.

Yours, very truly,
LAFE PENCE. (Signed) (Signed)
P. S.—I have just received the Congressional Record, and am glad to find that the stenographer properly understood my words.

LAFE PENCE.

Brazilian News.

Acting Secretary of State Uhl has received a cablegram from United States Minister Thompson at Rio, saying that it is retured Lapa. This is supposed to mean the town of Sapo, which lies on the coast about

Some Important Ones to Be Made in April.

TWO ADMIRALS TO THEN RETIRE

tary Retirements.

TO BENEFIT COMMODORES

A great many changes in the naval serrice will occur during the ensuing spring and summer, and speculation is being freely indulged in already in regard to them. Admiral A. E. K. Benham, commanding the South Atlantic station, will retire April 10, and Admiral John Irwin, commanding the Pacific station, will retire on the 17th of the same month. Their retirement will result in the promotion of Commodore F. M. Ramsay, chief of the bureau of navigation, and Commodore Joseph S. Skerrett, commanding the Asiatic station. Unless the recent loss of the United States ship Kearsarge on the cay of Roncador causes a

that station, inasmuch as his summary detachment from that command for repudlat-ed courtesies to the insurgent leader might possibly affect his relations with the Brapossibly affect his relations with the Bra-zilian government. At any rate it will be necessary to relieve Admiral Benham be-fore the date of his retirement, and in case it is thought to be bad policy to send Commodore Stanton to Rio under the exist-Commodore Stanton to Rio under the exist-ing state of affairs, the assignment will most likely fall to either Commodore R. W. Meade, president of the naval examining board, or to Commodore C. C. Carpenter, late in command of the Portsmouth navy yard, each of whom is said to be booked for sea duty.

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and Commodore Henry Erben, commanding the European station, will retire September 6, and an effort is now being made to arrange affairs so that they both can be retired with the rank of admiral. As there will be no vacancies in the latter grade, in the ordinary course of events, other than those already indicated, the plan is to induce two admirals to advance their own retirement, so that the two commodores named may be advanced a peg before they are put on the shelf. This can be done by the voluntary retirement of two admirals under the forty years' service law. Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, the ranking officer in the payy, is willing to enter into an arin the navy, is willing to enter into an ar-rangement of this kind for the benefit of Commodore Erben. Admiral Gherardi will regularly retire November 10 next, but in order to make a place for his friend, Com-modore Erben, he is willing to be retired July 1, provided another admiral will retire about the same date so as to permit the promotion of Commodore Fyffe before the date of Commodore Erben's retirement. Commodore Fyffe ranks Commodore Erben and is entitled to the first vacancy in the

Admiral Gherardi's Position.

Admiral Gherardi will not advance his cwn retirement unless it will benefit his friend Commodore Erben, and the retirement of two admirals before September is necessary to secure the retirement of Erben with the grade of admiral. Gherardi's retirement in July would promote Fyffe, and Fyffe's retirement, July 26, would promote Commodore Stanton to the grade of admiral and place Erben at the head of the list of commodores. As the last named officer retires September 6 next the only way he can reach the grade of admiral is by the voluntary retirement of an officer in that grade. The only two possibilities are Admiral Greer, who will regularly retire February 28, 1895, and Admiral Skerrett, who will retire January have made strong overtures to these two officers to assist Admiral Gherardi in securing their promotion before retirement, but so far without success. The plan therefore is likely to fall through. According to present indications Admiral Gherardi will serve out his full term, and Commodores Fyffe and Erben will both go on the retired list

in their present grade. Three Vacancies to Be Made. The approaching retirement of the three officers named will leave vacant respectively officers named will leave vacant respectively the command of the New York navy yard, the command of the Boston navy yard and south of K street northwest and at the command of the European squadron. These are all desirable assignments and will be eagerly sought for by officers eligible for the duty. Commodore C. C. Carpenter is sure of one, and Commodore L. A. Beardslee and Capt. Thos. O. Selfridge may be assigned to the other two, the latter most likely to the European station. Another important assignment in the near future is docks, which will become vacant on the 6th proximo by the transfer of Capt. N. H. Farquhar, the incumbent, to the comman of the League Island navy yard. Matthews, at present a member of the board of inspection and survey, is mentioned as Capt. Farquhar's most probable suc-cessor. The term of Capt. R. L. Phythian, as superintendent of the Naval Academy, will expire in June next, and there is already considerable speculation as to his succession. The general impression is that succession. The general impression is that he will be given sea duty and that an officer of much lower rank, possibly Commander Goodrich, may succed him at Annapolis. In the event that Admirai Stanton is transferred to the command of the South Atlantic station, it is practically settled that Com-modore R. W. Meade will be placed in com-

The Payment of Pensions.

The Secretary of the Interior has reto pension agents in regard to the execution of pension vouchers as prohibited the agent or his clerks from acting as witnesses in charge can certainly be sustained. At first either the vouchers or duplicate receipts. of his cierks from acting as witnesses in either the vouchers or duplicate receipts. The effect of this action will be to enable the personal payments to be made under the same regulations as have heretofore prevail-ed during the quarterly payments. Widows and guardians must furnish the usual iden-tifying witnesses tifying witnesses.

The available cash balance in the treasury today is \$138,909,975; national bank

News Received at the White House of the Violet.

She Weathered the Blissard in Fine Shape-May Not Go Out of Chesapeake Waters.

News has reached here to the effect that the good ship Violet weathered the blizzard Sunday night in fine shape in a cove a short distance below Alexandria, and that her distinguished passengers decided to continue their cruise, despite wind and weather. The President, Secretary Gresham and Capt. Evans of the navy left here in the Violet Sunday afternoon in a wild and tempestuous snow storm, and as they passed the night on the river in a comparatively small steamer there was naturally some apprehension yesterday as to their safety, which was increased as the day wore on with no tidings of them.

No Alarm Felt at the White House. It was said at the White House and State Department for publication that there was not the least cause for uneasiness in regard to the safety and comfort of the distinguished party. Capt. Evans, who is in general charge of the expedition, is one of the most capable and efficient navigators connected with the government, and he would, it is said, take no chances of danger on account of the personnel of the party. The Violet is considered by Capt. Mahan, the secretary of the light house board, as one of the stanchest vessels in the service. She has experienced the roughest kind of weather, and Capt. Mahan says that the storm of Sunday would not bother her in the least. The fact that no telegram has been received from the President means nothing, as Mr. Cleveland informed Secretary Thurber that he would send no communication until he forwarded notice of the time when the party might be expected to reach this city again. Secretary Gresham left similar word with his private secretary. Mr. Thurber said last evening that the idea of alarm had not entered the minds of any one at the Executive Mansion. "There is not a particle of apprehension," said he, "nor has there been. We do not expect to hear from the party until the return is made."

News Received This Morning. who is in general charge of the expedition,

News Received This Morning.

Nothwithstanding these cheering assurances there is every reason to believe that a great load of fear and anxiety was lifted from the mind of Mrs. Cleveland when she was informed this morning that the party was all right, the Violet having passed Indian Head, Md., on her way down the river dian Head, Md., on her way down the river at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The steamer was sighted as she passed there, and the fact was communicated to officials in this city. The storm was over by that time, and it will probably be smooth sailing the rest of the cruise. It is expected the Violet will touch at Fortress Monroe or Norfolk during the day for fresh provisions. The impression is growing that the President will soon tire of traveling under existing unpleasant conditions, and that the cruise will not extend much beyond the waters of Chesapeake bay. There is good sport in those waters, and no special occasion for going as far south as North Carolina.

DISTRICT LEGISLATION.

The House Committee Consider

Important Measures. The House District committee met this norning to take up the problem of the Metropolitan railway charter, but District Commissioners Ross and Powell appeared and begged a continuance of the case until next Saturday morning, which was agreed to. The Commissioners will be present upon that day and make an argument for the protection of the interests of District.

The Washington, Alexandria and Mt. Vernon railway bill was referred to the War Department for report.

The Washington and Georgetown terminal railway bill was then taken up, and ex-Commissioner Hines appeared in its behalf. He explained that the purpose of the bill is to give freight track facilities to all railways entering the city. In answer to a question he said he had no knowledge of the Pennsylvania railway being behind the

Mr. Bernard Leonard appeared in behalf of himself and other property owners on K street southwest to protest against the company using that street to lay the tracks. The committee adjourned without taking action upon the bill.

This bill names E. Kurtz Johnson, E. Southard Parker, Samuel Ross, L. G. Hine, William A. Wimsatt, J. B. Rank and Andrew B. Duvall as incorporators of the company and authorizes the company to oper ate a single or double track railroad in the District from a point at or near the north end of the Long bridge over the Potomac river eastwardly and southwardly along Water street to K street, and thence along K street to a connection with the Baltimore and Potomac railroad near 3d street southeast to a point on the Eastern branch of the Potomac river, with power to make contracts, connections and arrangements with other railroad companies in said District for the transportation of property and

passengers over their roads.

The corporation shall also have authority to build and maintain a dock on the Potomac river between New Hampshire avenue and the Aqueduct bridge and at other on the Potomac river adjacent to the line of its road and to receive and send barges, vessels, cargoes and railway cars from and to any point on the line of the railroad and from and to points on the Potomac river; and the company with the road and river. and the company shall have the power t points along the line of its road and to con-struct sidings, turnouts, turntables and switches necessary for the delivery of cars to the warehouses and depots and to connect the same with other railroads in West Washington, or Georgetown, and to cross any streets or alleys necessary for that purpose and to operate the road by steam,

Tomorrow the committee will take up the testimony of the gas investigation for consideration and next Friday at 10 o'clock the B. and O. railroad bill will be given a hear-

A CASE OF WHISKERS

Representatives Who Wear Beards In. dignant at Mr. Pence.

dignant today. They say that the remarks of Mr. Pence about one of their number Mr. Hainer, who is ornately adorned with a lusty growth of glossy, sable-hued whiskers, constitutes a reflection upon the class which should be resented.

The fact that Mr. Pence is beardless, they say, seems to lend additional sting to the mand of the North Atlantic or home station. Inference to be drawn, that because a man is bewhiskered he is lacking in ideas. They say that Mr. Pence was not modest, being beardless himself, to intimate that because voked so much of his recent instructions a bearded man is not full of ideas a beardless man must logically be overflowing with

> As to Mr. Hainer having whiskers, that his other possessions and attributes appear upon further acquaintance with him, but as a primary proposition the fact of possessing whiskers remains undisputed in Mr. Hainer's case.

There are many men in the House are "bearded like the Pard," and it is said to be an open question with them today

MORE CAUCUSING PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS NAVAL CHANGES THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP THE PET IN A RAGE

A Newfoundland Dog Suddenly Becomes Ferocious.

FRIGHTFUL MANGLING OF A CHILD

His Mother and Brother Also Attacked.

AN UNFORTUNATE GIFT

at 918 Fulton street and is in command of the West Lake street police station. Two weeks ago a neighbor presented the officer with a massive Newfoundland dog. The noble looking brute, from the tip of his nose to the end of the tail, measured nearly six feet. His ponderous black shaggy trunk stood four feet from the ground, and though never scaled, he weighed over 155

The animal became a pet of the children and part of the family, and, being docile, gentle and pliable, the children took all sorts of liberties with the animal. Never did he give an evidence of the

demon within him until last evening, when goaded by the efforts of the children to mount and ride him. Then "Tiger" became violently feroclous.

Before he was finally killed he set upon and frightfully mangled Johnny, the four-year-old son of Lieutenant of Police O'Hara, Mrs. O'Hara, Owen O'Hara, another son,

Mrs. O'Hara, Owen O'Hara, another son, and an unknown man.

Johnny O'Hara, the baby of the lieutenant's home, lies dying upon a bed of torture, with the back of his skull completely gnawed away, his left arm lacerated and badly splintered and his right ear eaten off.

Owen O'Hara, eldest son of the lieutenant, has a big piece of his right arm missing, and Mrs. O'Hara suffers from a gash in the left hand.

The family had arisen from the evening

The family had arisen from the evening meal, and the lieutenant had started for the station, when Mrs. O'Hara heard the cries of Johnny in the rear of the house. She ran to the window and saw her boy prostrate on the ground, with Tiger astride of his body and biting viciously at the head of the boy. She sprang out of the rear door and to the side of the boy. Tiger was still biting away at the head of the now unconscious infant, and the back of his head had been almost depleted of hair and flesh. She tried to beat the dog off, and in turn was set upon by the brute. She was bitten on the hand and again the dog returned to on the hand and again the dog returned to the boy. This time he went at the child's arm and lacerated it in a frightful fashion, tearing away the flesh in huge chunks.

Owen, the elder son, came to the rescue, and, finding the jaws of the dog set firmly into the skull of his brother, was forced to drag by main force the teeth of the animal out of Johnny's head. He, too, was bitten and then Michael Kennedy rushed up and beat the dog off with a club. Tiger was chased into the kitchen and there fourteen shots were fired into his body by Kennedy and the lieutenant, who had been called back. The child Johnny was mangled in an cessitating the transplanting of bone and the use of over seventy-five silken stitches.
The others are badly bitten, but will soon

ng feared that the animal was rabid.

GEN. MILES' TRANSFER. What is Said at Chicago in Regard

to It. CHICAGO, Feb. 27.-The report from Washington that Gen. Nelson A. Miles will be transferred to New York early in the summer is believed at army headquarters here, although no official information has been received on the subject. Gen. Miles is now in New York, where he went last week on private business, but his aid, Capt. Huggins, said last night that the retirement of Gen. O. O. Howard in June will very likely bring about the removal of the present commander of the department of Missouri to New York. The con mand here will probably remain vacant from June to Noember, when one of the brigadier generals, either Ruger, Merritt, McCook, Wheaton, Brooke or Otis, will be made general, and appointed in Gen. Miles' place here.

CHIEF ARTHUR'S PROPERTY.

Head of the Locomotive Engineers' Brotherhood Worth About \$90,000. CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 27 .- The agitation of the Des Moines, Iowa, Knights of Labor regarding the property upon which Chief Engineer P. M. Arthur pays taxes in Cleveland, and the statement that they would investigate the matter, has given rise to the inquiry as to how much property is owned by Mr. Arthur in this city. An investigation of the tax duplicate for 1843 at the county court house shows that last year Mr. Arthur paid taxes upon real estate upon a listed valuation of \$45,650. The taxable valuation of property is about fifty per cent of its value. This would make Mr. Arthur's estate worth about

Mr. Arthur's personal estate was assessed at \$3,150, which includes, of course, his household effects and whatever else personal property he has listed.

UNFAVORABLY REPORTED.

The Richmond and Manassas R.R. Bill Before the Virginia Senate.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 27.-In the senate this morning an adverse report was made upon the Richmond and Manassas oill by the committee on roads. This determination was reached at the meeting of the committee late yesterday afternoon after a long discussion of the merits of the measure. Both friends and opponents of the bill made their final effort before the commit-tee and when the vote was taken it resulted in a tie vote-5 to 5. Ordinarily, this would have killed the measure in committee, but its friends submitted to an advers report, in order to get the bill before the

Thus the seat of war has been transferred point to a warm contest. The house committee made a favorable report several days ago.

A Once Prominent Obloan Dead. MARIETTA, Ohio, Feb. 27.-Mr. W. F. Curtis died this morning of paralysis, aged seventy-eight years. He was a prominent citizen and served in the Ohio senate in the fifties and in the general assembly. His wife, a sister of Gen. Don Carlos Buell,

They Used a Madstone. MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 27.-The

eleven-year-old daughter of Dr.Davenport of Spring Garden, a short distance south of here, was bitten by a rabid dog. A mad-stone was procured and applied and ad-hered thirty times to the poisoned part. The wounds may prove fatal. Arrest of a Lottery Agent.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 27.-E. L. Welles of ed States marshal on a charge of violating the United States lottery laws. He admits having sent through the mails the circulars of the company.

TO SAVE THE KEARSARGE

Action of the House Committee on Naval

The Attempt to Raise Her Believed to Be Feasible-Mr. Bland Objects to a Bill.

The remains of the historic Kearsarge will be raised from Roncador reef if the House committee on naval affairs has its way. Today the committee voted to report favorably the bill of Representative Blair of New Hampshire. It was more generous than Mr. Blair proposed. While his bill would appropriate \$30,000 for the undertaking, the committee decided to raise the sum to CHICAGO, Feb. 27.-Lieut. O'Hara lives \$45,000. A proviso was added that not more than \$10,000 shall be used if the attempt is

a failure. Several proposals for raising the Kearsarge have been made to the government by wrecking companies, and it is represented that the attempt would be a perfectly feasible one. The wreck lies well out of the water, and there are four months of generally calm weather in which the work can be done.

The Kearsarge Veterans.

This morning Representative McEttrick of Massachusetts introduced a bill to incorporate an organization formed by the veterans who served on the Kearsarge during the war. It is called the Kearsarge Association of Naval Veterans. The survivors intend to collect mementos of the old vessel and when the organization comes to an end they will be given to the Smithsonian Institution. The incorporators are Martin L. White, Roxbury, Mass.; Daniel Shea of Boston, Chas. W. Wilson of Boston, Francis H. Harrington of Weshington D. Shea of Boston, Chas. W. Wilson of Boston, Francis H. Harrington of Washington, D. C., Andrew Houghton of Boston, James Briscoe of Roxbury, Mass., Wm. E. Clark of Charlestown, N. H., Joseph A. Dudgeon of Nebraska, Michael Rougan of Charlestown, Mass., Philip H. Irving of New York, Horatio Little of Junction City, Kan., Christopher O'Brien of Boston, James O. Smith of Pawtucket, R. I., and Wm. Jones of Boston, Mass.

Secretary of the Navy Herbert today sent to Representative Cummings of the House committee on naval affairs information as to the proposed rescue of the

tion as to the proposed rescue of the wrecked warship Kearsarge.

What Secretary Herbert Says. The Secretary says: "The department fully sympathizes with the patriotic public sentiment, of which we see daily so many manifestations, in regard to saving to the country, if possible, this historic old ship." The Secretary says he has an offer from a responsible wrecking company to attempt the rescue on a guaranty of \$10,000 and \$35,000 additional if the ship is reclaimed. The Secretary incloses a report from Rear Admiral Stanton as to the chances of Rear Admiral Stanton as to the chances of saving the ship. He says that on February 8 Ensign Gates and Paymaster Ring and part of a boat's crew made the last trip to the Kearsarge by hauling themselves through the breakers on a catamaran. They found the holds and berth decks full of water. The bow was in about nine feet of water and her stern in thirteen feet. Some of the timbers of the ship had already started and the displaced boilers had prefly well crushed the port blige. Admiral Stanton says that the masts,

spars, sails, guns and equipments are not those belonging to the ship during her his-toric period.

Admiral Stanton's Opinion. He adds: "As the frames were diagonally braced and strapped with iron, she will not, in my judgment, break up during the next four months, and I think a well-equipped wrecking company could, by working in favorable times, move the ship to the lee side of the reef, keeping their powerful pumps going to keep her afloat during the charge of position. Her bottom could then be patched by divers, and I believe she could be towed by way of Cuba to Key West and thence to any point desired.'

Mr. Bland Objects. Secretary Herbert urged that any action toward a rescue should be taken at once. The naval committee therefore sought to secure immediate consideration for a bill framed according to the Secretary's sugges-tions. Mr. Bland demanded that the silver debate should proceed, adding that the Kearsarge rescue and other projects would wait until the silver bill was dis-

CAPITOL TOPICS.

To Make Pension Files Accessible. There was a warm discussion in the House ommittee on invalid pensions this morning over the proposition of Representative Pickvote of the committee was against the bill, and an unfavorable report will be made to the House on the ground of the labor the House on the ground of the labor the would impose on the pension bureau. the House on the ground of the labor the bill would impose on the pension bureau. Mr. Pickler intends to make a minority report to the House, and republican m

To Permit Railroad Pooling. The interstate commerce committee of the Senate this morning heard arguments in be-half of a proposed amendment to the inter-for what it is, but for what it represents. state commerce laws to allow railroad pooling, reasonable rates to be fixed by the interstate commerce commission, with the right ity. It is as broad, as generous and as of appeal to a federal court for final adjudi-cation. J.K.Counselman of Chicago, a large grain shipper, made the argument and Geo. R. Blanchard, commissioner of the Central Traffic Association, and J. K. Cowen, coun-sel of the B. and O. railroad, also were heard.

More Clerks for the Library. A joint resolution was introduced in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Kyle reciting that the passage of the copyright law imposed

Confirmations.

Geo. W. Nichols of New York, to e consul Daniel C. Kennedy of Missouri, to be consul of the United States at Malta; Charles to the floor of the senate. The indications M. English, to be receiver of public moneys at Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Postmasters: New Jersey-R. Horace Curtis, at Long Branch City. Nebraska-John M. Harley, at Lincoln. Michigan-Arthur S. Putnam, at Manistique; James H. Gee, at Norway; Wm. M. Baron, at St. Clair; John G. Parkhurst, at Cold Water; Carl Schuldes, at Iron Mountain; Michael R. Redmond, at Hancock; Richard Mertz, at Gladstone; Ernest J. Dube, at Houghton; Wm. J. Daunt, at Bay City; Christop Wm. J. Daunt, at Bay City, Christopher C. Allison, at Cassopolis; Arthur A. Henderson, at New Berry. Kansas—Wfiliam H. L. Pepperell, at Concordia. Iowa—Parley Sheldon, at Ames. Kentucky—James I. Hamilton, at Lancaster; James R. Graham, at Clinton; Joseph E. Claunch, at Somerset California—Garland W. Dungan, at Fern-dale. Arizona—William E. Thomas, at

Eskimo Callers. Ex-Superintendent Miner W. Bruce

the Alaskan reindeer station and his party of eleven Eskimos were among the visitors St. Louis, secretary of the Guarantee Investment Company of Nevada, was arrested in this city last night by a deputy Unit-

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THESE ARE WIZARDS

Like Mr. Jove Jupiter Zeus They Play With Lightning.

NATIONAL ELECTRIC LIGHT ASSOCIATION

Large Attendance at the Seventeenth Annual Convention Today.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The seventeenth convention of the National Electric Light Association began in this city this morning to last three days The sessions of the convention are held n Grand Army Hall, and when the convention was called to order the hall was filled with as fine a looking body of men as has gathered in Washington in many a day. There were in attendance an unusual number of ladies, though they did not remain long after the formal opening of the

convention The headquarters of the association are at the Ebbitt House, and the corridors and at the Ebbitt House, and the corridors and parlors there presented a lively scene this morning, as they were crowded with men prominently identified with all that is latest and most advanced in the world of electrical work. The badges of the association are handsome bronze buttons with the following distinguishing insignia for the different elements in the association: Officers, red bow; executive committee, blue bow; active members, red ribbon: associate members, blue ribbon; guests, olive ribbon; honorary members, white ribbon; reception committee, yellow ribbon.

Interesting Exhibits.

Interesting Exhibits. The various pariors and adjacent room at the hotel are taken up with many intereating exhibits of electrical appliances. These are studied carefully by the various representatives, who are working electricians, not theorists. They are on the lookout all the time for new inventions that will be of service to them, and are ready at any time to receive hints, no mat-ter where they come from. The various periodicals, papers and magazines devoted

periodicals, papers and magazines devoted to the electrical business all have representatives at the convention, and make a most creditable show. The Electrical World is printing a little convention bulletin containing the program of the convention, news of interest, and a list of members of the association in attendance.

A noticeable feature of this convention is the preponderance of young men who stand high in the business, and are recognized as experts and authorities. Dr. Gatling, the president of the American Association of Inventors and Manufacturers, made a pleasing little address to the convention this ing little address to the convention this morning, in which he referred to this fact, that most of the places of prominence and emolument in the electrical business are taken by young rien.

The Various Heads. The hall in which the convention is holding its session was tastefully decorated today with flags and buntin did the delegates find the opportunity meeting each other socially at the Ebbit House and renewing friendships made and cemented at previous conventions that was after 11 o'clock when they adje to the hall. The meeting was called der by Mr. E. A. Armstrong of Came Armstrong is a lawyer and not a practica lectric lighting company, and takes an action. The other officers of the associa-tion. The other officers of the association are as follows: First vice president, M. J. Francisco, Rutland, Vt.; second vice president, C. H. Wilmerding, Chicago, Ill.; secretary, George F. Porter; master of trans-portation, C. O. Baker, jr. Executive com-mittee: Frederic Nicholls, W. J. Morrison, A. M. Young, H. H. Fairbanks, H. J. Smith, G. H. Blaxter, John A. Seely, E. F.

Peck, A. J. DeCamp. Program con A. J. DeCamp, chairman; Charles W. Price H. H. Fairbanks.

The President's Talk. In opening the morning session the president of the association, Mr. E. A. Armstrong of Camden, N. J., read his annual address. In the course of his remarks, after congratulating the association on its progress and prospects, he said: "Your meeting here in Washington means that henceforth what has been such a delightful and en-joyable portion of our sojourn, the social side, at various places, must be curbed and pension bureau should be open to pensioners and their attorneys for examination. The vote of the committee was against the bill.

After expressing his regret that the association had not met in Philadelphia, the city of Benjamin Franklin, and itself so near to New Jersey, Mr. Armstrong went on to speak thus of Washington: "You and I own this city. It is with pardonable pride is not a typical American city, but it is typically American. Beauty and embellish ment have nowhere been sacrificed to utilcomprehensive as our country. The mag-nificent Capitol, and the other government buildings, the monuments, statues and parks, the avenues and boulevards, are all

as generous as we could ask. Growth of a Science. "The past year has been a very trying one in electrical enterprises. As we are among the settled businesses of the country the youngest, and, therefore, the most elastic, additional labor on the librarian of Congress, and in consequence of insufficient clerical force the work of furnishing copyrights is several months in arrears. It therefore appropriates the sum of \$10,000 to ha used to employ the necessary clerks.

Oppression oppression others, but we have not been without and encouragement during it all. If my figures are correct, and I have tried to obtain them from the most reliable source, there are now upward of 2,300 central stations in the country, representing at least \$200,000,-this country, representing at least \$200,000,-t we have felt the financial stringency, the this country, representing at least \$200,000,000 of capital. Involved in electrical manufactures and supplies of various kinds are of the United States at Clifton, Ont.; it naturally does, hundreds of thousands men, supporting hundreds of thousands of homes, adding to the material wealth, prosperity and happiness of our people, make us as representative trustees of a great and responsible trust. This is a growth practically of the last decade. He would be brave man indeed who would dare even to suggest the limits of the possibilities of the use of electricity for great and important works. Night has been turned into day and the industry of man is applied for the full twenty-four hours of time, and the days therefore, are multiplied by just that much distance is annihilated so that last summe I, while being a thousand miles away, en-joying the beauties of that wonderful white city and drinking in the lessons there taught, was still within speaking distance of my office.

Electrical Benefactors "These wonders and marvels, for won ders and marvels they are, are only valuable in so far as they add to the comfort and happiness of the world; that they do none of us will deny, and therefore as I call your attention to the business that has brought us here together, do not accuse me of making use of hyperbole when I say to you that you do not reet merely as repre-sentatives of so many millions of dollars in-vested in dividend-producing concerns, but as representatives of an industry, a science that n cans benefit to the race, that means more health, more happiness, more encour-agement, more comfort to fellow-man. In the highest, truest, best sense we are ret

resentative benefactors. Municipal Ownership.